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In the Claims

Please cancel claim 9 and amend claims 1, 10, 16, 24 and 25 as follows:

1. (currently amended) A method of making a microstructured assembly, the method comprising:

forming a substantially uniform coating of a curable material comprising a ceramic material on a substrate, the coating defining a leading edge;

contacting the coating with a substantially optically clear mold, wherein the mold comprises a polymeric film, starting at the leading edge, the mold forming in the curable material a plurality of barrier regions connected by intervening land regions such that curable material is between the mold and the substrate;

curing the curable material at least through the mold; and

removing the mold.

2. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein forming a substantially uniform coating comprises forming the coating of the curable material on the substrate with a thickness that varies by no more than 5%.

3. (cancelled)

4. (original) The method of claim 3, wherein the curable material further comprises a binder.

5. (original) The method of claim 4, further comprising debinding the curable material after curing the curable material.

6. (original) The method of claim 3, further comprising firing the curable material after removing the mold.

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7. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein contacting the coating comprises unrolling the mold while contacting the coating starting at the leading edge of the coating.

8. (original) The method of claim 7, wherein removing the mold comprises rolling the mold onto a receiving element.

9. (cancelled)

10. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein [contacting the coating with a mold comprises contacting the coating with a mold and forming a plurality of barrier regions connected by intervening land regions,] the intervening land regions have[ing] a substantially uniform center thickness.

11. (previously amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising a plurality of electrodes disposed on the substrate.

12. (original) The method of claim 11, further comprising aligning the land regions with the plurality of electrodes disposed on the substrate.

13. (original) The method of claim 12, wherein aligning the land regions comprises stretching the mold to align the land regions with the plurality of electrodes.

14. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the coating defines a coating area that is smaller than a surface area of the substrate.

15. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the coating defines at least two individual coating areas.

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16. (currently amended) A method of making a microstructured assembly, the method comprising:

disposing a curable material comprising a ceramic material on a substrate, the substrate having a first end;

contacting the curable material with a substantially optically clear mold, wherein the mold comprises a polymeric film, starting at the first end and proceeding at a substantially uniform contact speed and applying a substantially uniform contact pressure such that curable material is between the mold and the substrate;

forming the curable material, using the mold, into a plurality of barrier regions connected by intervening land regions, wherein the land regions have a substantially uniform center thickness;

and curing the curable material at least through the mold.

17. (original) The method of claim 16, wherein disposing a curable material on a substrate comprises disposing the curable material on the substrate as a substantially uniform coating.

18. (original) The method of claim 16, further comprising curing the curable material.

19. (original) The method of claim 16, further comprising removing the mold.

20. (cancel)

21. (original) The method of claim 20, wherein the curable material further comprises a binder.

22. (original) The method of claim 21, further comprising debinding the curable material.

23. (original) The method of claim 20, further comprising firing the ceramic material.

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24. (currently amended) A method of making a microstructured assembly, the method comprising:

forming a substantially uniform coating of a curable material comprising a ceramic material on a substrate, the coating defining a leading edge and defining a coating area that is smaller than a surface area of the substrate;

contacting the coating with a substantially optically clear mold, wherein the mold comprises a polymeric film, starting at the leading edge, the mold forming the curable material into a plurality of barrier regions connected by intervening land regions without substantially enlarging the coating area such that curable material is between the mold and the substrate;

curing the curable material at least through the mold; and
removing the mold.

25. (currently amended) A method of making a display, the method comprising:

forming a substantially uniform coating of a curable material comprising a ceramic material on a display substrate, the coating defining a leading edge;

contacting the coating with a substantially optically clear mold, wherein the mold comprises a polymeric film, starting at the leading edge, the mold forming in the curable material a plurality of barrier ribs connected by intervening land regions such that curable material is between the mold and the substrate;

curing the curable material at least through the mold; and
removing the mold.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the curable material is cured under isothermal conditions.

27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the curable material is cured with radiation.